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Kunio GOTO

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For: THREADED JOINT FOR STEEL PIPES AND PROCESS FOR THE SURFACE  
TREATMENT THEREOF

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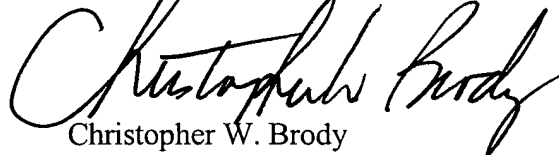
Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Since this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 from parent application no. 10/361,556 and as permitted by Rule 1.98(d), copies of the references of record in the parent case are not included herewith.

Consideration of the attached prior art is respectfully requested when this application is given its examination on the merits. In addition, a prompt examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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